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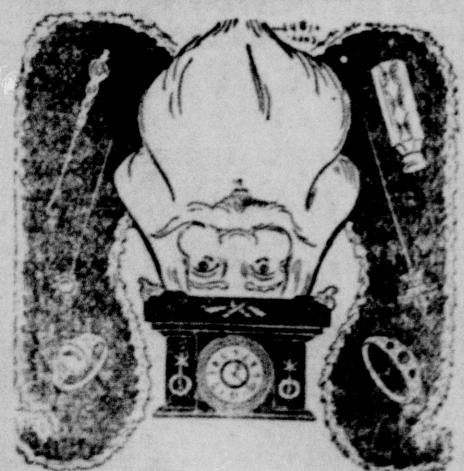
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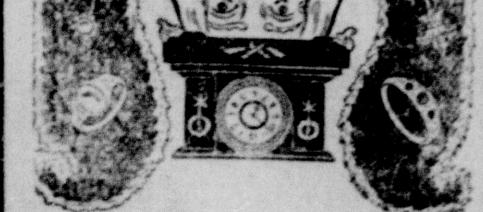
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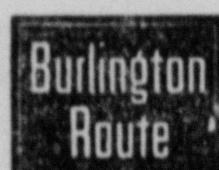
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GOVERNOR TAFT MAKES AGREEMENT FOR THEIR PURCHASE
BY UNITED STATES.

POPE APPROVES THE SALE

CONSENT OF THE WAR DEPARTMENT AWAITED TO CONSUMMATE THE DEAL.

Manila, Dec. 17.—An agreement has been reached by Governor Taft and the friars providing for the settlement of the land question. The pope has given his approval of the terms of settlement and the approval of the war department is awaited.

The settlement provides for the purchase of 403,000 acres, comprising all the agricultural lands and holdings of the friars with the exception of 12,000 acres including a farm near Manila, which has been sold to a railway company, and also one sugar plantation.

The price agreed upon is \$7,250,000. The friars originally asked \$15,000,000. Governor Taft offered them \$6,000,000.

CHAMBERLAIN AT LEEDS.

Makes Last Speeches of His Fiscal Campaign for the Present Year.

Leeds, Dec. 17.—Joseph Chamberlain addressed two immense audiences here last night, making the last speeches of his fiscal campaign for the present year.

From the moment of Mr. Chamberlain's arrival in Leeds the enthusiasm was tremendous and many demonstrations were made in the streets. The appearance of Mr. Chamberlain on the platform was the signal for an ovation which continued for many minutes.

The first speech was made in the Coliseum and was listened to by 2,500 persons and a similar number attended the overflow meeting held afterward in the town hall, which was altogether inadequate to accommodate the great crowd seeking admission.

The feature of Mr. Chamberlain's speech at the Coliseum was his announcement of the fact that he has been engaged in getting together a committee to make inquiries among the various branches of trade at home and abroad, the work of which committee he expected, he said, will result in clearing away many difficulties.

The committee will consist of about thirty business men of the highest standing who will begin their work in the near future. It will be composed of men from all centers of industry both in the United Kingdom and in the colonies. Sub-committees will be formed to deal with each branch of trade and to take exhaustive evidence, meeting twice weekly until their work is finished. When the reports are completed Mr. Chamberlain said he expected to be in a position to formulate a tariff bill acceptable to the country, which will not only foster imperial trade, but which will enable Great Britain to give trade advantages to those who are prepared to render her similar favors.

The rest of Mr. Chamberlain's speech was largely a repetition of his former arguments.

ON BOARD A WARSHIP

UNITED STATES CONSUL DAVIS

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AT ALEXANDRETTA.

Washington, Dec. 17.—As a result of Minister Leishman's advice respecting the Alexandretta affair, the state department has requested the navy department to place a warship at the disposal of Consul Davis, now at Beirut, upon which he might return to Alexandria at his pleasure. The navy department accordingly cabled instructions to Admiral Cotton on board the Flagship Brooklyn at Alexandria, Egypt, to place a vessel at the disposal of Mr. Davis. It is believed the Brooklyn will be selected. It is left to the consul to arrange the terms of his reception.

Although Rear Admiral Cotton was not instructed specifically to take the consul back to his post under escort of a squadron it will not be in opposition to the navy department's wishes if both the flagship Brooklyn and the San Francisco proceed to Alexandria on this mission. It is felt that in view of the indignities offered our consul his return to Alexandria under the protection of a squadron might prove more salutary in its effect than if only one ship accompanied him.

The information of the state department is to the effect that Mr. Davis was acting entirely within his rights and powers and that while engaged in protecting, as was his duty, a naturalized American citizen he was set upon by five Turkish policemen and dragged along the ground. It also appears incidentally that upon recovering his footing the consul promptly and soundly thrashed all five of the policemen. Minister Leishman has been instructed to request reparation of the Turkish government, the state department taking a firm attitude on that question.

Carlisle Pleads Not Guilty.

Minneapolis, Dec. 17.—John J. Carlisle, alias John J. Debralls, arrived from Chicago yesterday afternoon in the custody of Sheriff Dreger. He was arraigned on an indictment charging grand larceny in the second degree, pleaded not guilty, failed to furnish \$3,500 bail and was remanded to jail to await his trial on Friday.

LOST MONEY ON THE RACES.

Secretary McKown of California University Guilty of Embezzlement.

Berkeley, Cal., Dec. 17.—W. A. McKown, secretary of the board of regents of the state university, has confessed to President Benjamin Ide Wheeler that he was a defaulter since 1898 to the amount of \$20,000 and possibly more. Most of the money was lost at the race track. Mr. McKown has been suspended by President Wheeler and placed under arrest by the local authorities.

Secretary McKown's arrest followed the discovery that he had attempted to pay a racing debt with a check made out to him personally by Mrs. Phoebe Hearst. This check was for \$1,500 and was handed over by McKown to Bookmaker John Davis in payment of markers on the races for \$1,120. Davis gave McKown \$40 in change and deposited the check in the Western National bank, from which it turned up to expose the affair.

McKown has been in the university about twenty years, is unmarried and about forty years of age. His salary was \$2,400 a year.

THREATENED GREAT NORTHERN.

Asserted Gravelle Demanded Money From That Company.

Helena, Mont., Dec. 17.—It developed Wednesday at the trial of Isaac Gravelle, charged with dynamiting Northern Pacific trains, that the Great Northern railway had received a threatening letter mailed two months ago from Cascade, Mont., in which a demand was made for \$15,000. The state asserts that Gravelle wrote the Cascade letter. Most of the time of the prosecution so far is taken up in an effort to prove the handwriting of Gravelle and to connect him with the letters demanding money from the Northern Pacific.

REVOLUTIONISTS REPULSED.

Heavy Fighting Reported at Santiago, Santo Domingo.

Cape Haytien, Dec. 17.—Heavy fighting in which the revolutionists were repulsed, has been going on at Santiago, Santo Domingo, for the past two days, according to a special dispatch received here. The government has advised all families to leave the Northern Pacific.

Will Come Home on a Warship.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Secretary Moody has instructed Rear Admiral Coghlan to send a war vessel to Cartagena to bring United States Minister Beaupre to Colon, the minister having decided to avail himself of the leave of absence granted him some time ago.

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Seattle, Wash., Dec. 17.—A special from Juneau says that the wreck of the steamer Discovery has been found. An Indian from Cross Sound found the wreck and brought the news to Juneau. The revenue cutter Rush has gone to the scene, taking the Indian as a guide.

TELEGRAPHIC BREVITIES.

The Minnesota State Dairymen's association is in session at Fairmont.

A strike of livery drivers for higher wages will probably be ordered today in Chicago.

Coopers of the Chicago stockyards won their strike for higher wages Wednesday.

Detroit has been chosen for the 1904 convention of the Baptist Young People's Union of America. The date has not been fixed.

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Strasboro, Vt.

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The women of the city are divided in their opinions.

"Things have come to pretty pass in Boston," said one business woman, "if we must have a bodyguard with us whenever we go out on the street after dark or else be quicker shots than professional thieves and thugs."

Daddy Stumped.

Willie—Daddy, why can a man run faster than a boy?

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But dad gave it up.—Cincinnati Commercial Tribune.

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This state of things obtained up to the time of the first Napoleon, when the Empress Josephine brought it forward for a personal reason. The only defect in her beauty was an irregularity of the teeth, and to hide this she used a delicate little handkerchief, which from time to time she raised to her lips. Thus she was enabled to laugh occasionally. Seeing that it was a case of either laughter going out or handkerchiefs coming into fashion, the court ladies adopted the pretty pieces of cambric and lace.

In England the evolution of the article which is now so openly displayed by women was equally slow. There was a time when it was forbidden to mention it on the stage or to make use of it even in the most tearful situation, while the people in the gallery and the pit shed their tears into their laps. Even when it was mentioned for the first time in one of Shakespeare's plays it was received with hisses and general indignation by the audience. Little by little, however, the prejudice gave way, and a time came when the handkerchief could be flourished in broad daylight.

"Do you mean to tell me that you were cruel enough to punish your son like that?" he demanded.

"Ob co'e I did, yoh honoh," she replied.

"How dare you be so brutal?"

The colored woman looked at him in fine contempt for a moment, then asked slowly:

"Look a-heah, jedge, was yoh eber de father o' wuthless mulatier boy?"

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"The law protects a woman who defends herself from dangerous assaults," he said the other day. "The popular idea that there is some law against a peaceable citizen carrying a concealed weapon is a mistake. There is no such law, and unless a woman is more afraid of a pistol than she is of a highwayman let her arm herself. It is better for her to have a revolver in her hand to defend herself against a criminal than a purse dangling at her waist or sticking out from her pocket to tempt him."

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"I am a little girl of ten years and attend Sunday school each Sabbath. I have no Bible, and if the finder of this note will send me one I will be so happy."

HATTIE STEEDMAN.

Hattie got her Bible by the next mail.

Bicycles stored and repaired at 407, south 7th street, old S. Katz place.

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This state of things obtained up to the time of the first Napoleon, when the Empress Josephine brought it forward for a personal reason.

The only defect in her beauty was an irregularity of the teeth, and to hide this she used a delicate little handkerchief, which from time to time she raised to her lips.

Thus she was enabled to laugh occasionally. Seeing that it was a case of either laughter going out or handkerchiefs coming into fashion, the court ladies adopted the pretty pieces of cambric and lace.

In England the evolution of the article which is now so openly displayed by women was equally slow.

There was a time when it was forbidden to mention it on the stage or to make use of it even in the most tearful situation, while the people in the gallery and the pit shed their tears into their laps.

Even when it was mentioned for the first time in one of Shakespeare's plays it was received with hisses and general indignation by the audience.

Little by little, however, the prejudice gave way, and time came when the handkerchief could be flourished in broad daylight.

How dare you be so brutal?

The colored woman looked at him in fine contempt for a moment, then asked slowly:

"Look a-heah, jedge, was yoh ever ob a wuthless mulatto boy?"

The judge almost fell from the bench.

"Ef yoh ain't," continued the negress,

"then yoh don't know nuffin' about de case!"—Harper's Weekly.

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A Christmas Salad.

Take a deal of glove and put into a bowl,
With the spice of good-will gently sprinkle the whole;
Make a dressing of kisses, stir in a kind thought.
With a score of good wishes—the best to be got—
Take of affection a share that's not small,
And to garnish the dish—Christmas greetings from all.

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DEATH CALLS

H. J. HAGADORN

After a Lingering Illness With Brights Disease He Succumbed Last Night.

LIVED HERE OVER TWENTY YEARS

Leaves Widow and Eight Children—Funeral Friday Under Masonic Auspices.

H. J. Hagadorn died last night about 8 o'clock at his late home on Ninth street north after a lingering illness with Bright's disease, and another one of Brainerd's pioneers has been added to the list of the dead. Death had been expected almost momentarily for a week or more, as he had gradually sunk into unconsciousness some time ago, and no hopes were entertained that he would ever again revive.

Mr. Hagadorn had been a resident of Brainerd for twenty-three years and is widely known here. His business was that of a millwright and he followed this occupation until a few years ago when he was forced to a retired life on account of failing health. He was respected by all who knew him and lived an honorable life, one of the most glowing tributes to his memory being the fact that he served his country in times of war, and at the time of his death he was a member in good standing of Pap Thomas Post, G. A. R., of this city. He was also a Mason and was affiliated with the order in this city. He was also a member of the Pioneer Settlers association of this state.

Deceased was born at Mount Morris, Livingston county, New York, Oct. 1, 1832, and he was therefore in his seventy-second year. He came to Minnesota and located at St. Paul in 1865. He lived there for ten years when he moved to Minneapolis where he lived for five years, coming to Brainerd in 1880, since which time he has been a continuous resident here. He was married while living in St. Paul to Elizabeth Riggs Elston, then a widow, and she now survives him.

There are eight children, four sons and four daughters, as follows: Mrs. D. J. Snell and Mrs. A. T. Fischer, of Brainerd; Mrs. E. C. Fosdyke, DeGraff, Minn.; Mrs. G. F. Theimer, Fargo; Harry J. Hagadorn Jr., and Albert, Fred J. and Archie Hagadorn.

The funeral services will be held on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the M. E. church, and will be under Masonic auspices. Interment will be made in Evergreen cemetery. All members of the Masonic order are requested to meet at the hall at 1:30 o'clock.

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CASE GOES TO THE JURY

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The case taken up next was that of H. C. Stivers vs George Smith, Benj. Smith et al.

Lost—Pair of child's shoes, wrapped in Snyder's store paper, with my name on parcel. Mrs. LOGAN, 315, 10th St. north. 1681

BROKE HER ARM.

Mrs. Joseph Weitzel Tripped Over Fire Department Hose Last Night and Was Quite Badly Injured.

Mrs. Joseph Weitzel had the misfortune last night to trip over the fire department hose on the corner of Laurel and Sixth streets during the Katz fire and broke her arm. She was taken home at once and a surgeon called. The break was a bad one and Mrs. Weitzel will be laid up for some time.

New line of blankets just received at D. M. Clark & Co's. 831

CROW WING ITEMS.

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Mrs. Burdett has arrived from the southern part of the state to visit her daughter, Mrs. Elvin Young.

Levi Bailey has returned from Duluth where he was called to see his son who is in the hospital at that place.

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CURBSTONE CHAT

Speaking of good books, have you read "The Bar Sinister," "Gordan Keith," "Col. Carter's Christmas Dinner," "Forrest Heart," at H. P. Dunn & Co.

Pap Thomas Post Election.

The following officers have been elected for the ensuing year by the members of Pap Thomas Post, No. 30, G. A. R.:

Post Commander—A. E. Veon.
S. V. C.—Albert Fox.
J. V. C. S.—Hockridge.

Chap.—Rev. W. G. Marts.
Adj't.—N. M. Paine.

Q. M.—J. A. Wilson.
O. D.—T. E. Smith.

Surgeon—J. Britton.

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DEATH CALLS

H. J. HAGADORN

After a Lingering Illness With
Brights Disease He Suc-
cumbed Last Night.

LIVED HERE OVER TWENTY YEARS

Leaves Widow and Eight Children
—Funeral Friday Under
Masonic Auspices.

H. J. Hagadorn died last night about 8 o'clock at his late home on Ninth street north after a lingering illness with Bright's disease, and another one of Brainerd's pioneers has been added to the list of the dead. Death had been expected almost momentarily for a week or more, as he had gradually sunk into unconsciousness some time ago, and no hopes were entertained that he would ever again revive.

Mr. Hagadorn had been a resident of Brainerd for twenty-three years and is widely known here. His business was that of a millwright and he followed this occupation until a few years ago when he was forced to a retired life on account of failing health. He was respected by all who knew him and lived an honorable life, one of the most glowing tributes to his memory being the fact that he served his country in times of war, and at the time of his death he was a member in good standing of Pap Thomas Post, G. A. R., of this city. He was also a Mason and was affiliated with the order in this city. He was also a member of the Pioneer Settlers association of this state.

Deceased was born at Mount Morris, Livingston county, New York, Oct. 1, 1832, and he was therefore in his seventy-second year. He came to Minnesota and located at St. Paul in 1865. He lived there for ten years when he moved to Minneapolis where he lived for five years, coming to Brainerd in 1880, since which time he has been a continuous resident here. He was married while living in St. Paul to Elizabeth Riggs Elston, then a widow, and she now survives him.

There are eight children, four sons and four daughters, as follows: Mrs. D. J. Snell and Mrs. A. T. Fischer, of Brainerd; Mrs. E. C. Fosdyke, DeGraff, Minn.; Mrs. G. F. Theimer, Fargo; Harry J. Hagadorn Jr., and Albert, Fred J. and Archie Hagadorn.

The funeral services will be held on Friday afternoon at 2:30 o'clock from the M. E. church, and will be under Masonic auspices. Interment will be made in Evergreen cemetery. All members of the Masonic order are requested to meet at the hall at 1:30 o'clock.

A large number of friends in the city extend sympathy to Mrs. Hagadorn and children in their bereavement.

We furnish your house complete, easy terms.

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Revolution Imminent.

A sure sign of approaching revolt and serious trouble in your system is nervousness, sleeplessness, or stomach upsets. Electric Bitters will quickly dismember the troublesome causes. It never fails to tone the stomach, regulate the kidneys and bowels, stimulate the liver, and clarify the blood. Run down systems benefit particularly and all the usual attending aches vanish under its searching and thorough effectiveness. Electric Bitters is only 50c, and that is returned if it don't give perfect satisfaction. Guaranteed by H. P. Dunn & Co., druggists.

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CASE GOES TO THE JURY

Case of C. H. Tucker was completed this Afternoon and Jury Goes Out to Deliberate.

The case of C. H. Tucker vs the Minnesota & International was completed this afternoon shortly after the noon hour. Attorney Hollister finished his address to the jury just before the noon hour and Attorney A. D. Polk for the plaintiff addressed the jury this afternoon.

The case taken up next was that of H. C. Stivers vs George Smith, Benj. Smith et al.

Lost—Pair of child's shoes, wrapped in Snyder's store paper, with my name on parcel. MRS. LOGAN, 315, 10th St. north. 1681

BROKE HER ARM.

Mrs. Joseph Weitzel Tripped Over Fire Department Hose Last Night and Was Quite Badly Injured.

Mrs. Joseph Weitzel had the misfortune last night to trip over the fire department hose on the corner of Laurel and Sixth streets during the Katz fire and broke her arm. She was taken home at once and a surgeon called. The break was a bad one and Mrs. Weitzel will be laid up for some time.

New line of blankets just received at D. M. Clark & Co's. 83tf

CROW WING ITEMS.

Mrs. J. W. Porter has returned from a visit in Brainerd.

Mrs. Mann has gone to Brainerd to visit her daughter, Mrs. Northrup.

Mrs. Burrill has gone to Little Falls where she will visit friends for a few days.

Miss Nettie Anderson has returned from Brainerd where she has been visiting.

G. W. Young has returned from Hibbing where he has been working all fall.

Mrs. Burdett has arrived from the southern part of the state to visit her daughter, Mrs. Elvin Young.

Levi Bailey has returned from Duluth where he was called to see his son who is in the hospital at that place.

Westward the orb of glory takes its way, Wisconsin is the state, you hear everybody say,

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167tf

LINNEMAN & CARLSON.

Attention G. A. R.

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Chief Sargent: The boys are selling all kinds of tickets for the Redmen dance on December 21 for the benefit of St. Joseph's hospital.

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ACCUSES HEATH AND CASTLE

REPORT OF MESSRS. CONRAD AND BONAPARTE CLAIMS THEY WERE NEGLIGENT.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The report of Messrs. Conrad and Bonaparte on the charges made by W. S. Tulloch, formerly cashier of the Washington city postoffice, against the administration of this office was made public Wednesday.

Under instructions from the president the report views the Tulloch charges "from a legal standpoint."

The report begins with a brief history and nature of the Tulloch charges and then makes the following "preliminary observations" concerning them:

"No improper official act on the part of any public official or employee is alleged which did not occur more than three years before July 17, 1902, and as all possible prosecutions are barred we are led therefore to interpret our instructions to report on these matters 'from a legal standpoint' in a broader sense than we might otherwise venture to ascribe to them, and understand that our views are desired as to the legal propriety of the official action disclosed and not merely whether it may or may not have been committed."

"The Tulloch charges have never been, properly speaking, 'investigated' at all. We have been confronted in an inquiry with an assertion on one side and a denial on the other as to the question of fact with no sufficient means at our command to determine which statement we could advise you to believe. The tendency to evade answering the charges evinced by those replying to the postmaster general's request for such answers; the report says, 'is illustrated very forcibly by the charges against Perry S. Heath, formerly first assistant postmaster general, which have heretofore been made public and his answer to them.'

Answer Altogether Insufficient.

"We consider this answer," continues the report, "altogether insufficient and no less unsatisfactory in substance than in form."

Continuing, the report says the revision of Postmaster Willet's accounts of itself is sufficient to show that Mr. Heath's official record is not so clear as to defy suspicion. It adds:

"Moreover, the confidential report of Inspector Smith and the special report of Inspector Little tend so strongly to sustain some of the most serious charges made by Mr. Tulloch against Mr. Heath that it is quite impossible to dispose of these charges by calling them 'out of whole cloth, especially when we remember that the confidential report is stated by Inspector Smith to set forth irregularities discovered by himself and that the special report was prepared a whole year after Mr. Tulloch had left the office. The reasonable inference to be drawn from Mr. Heath's complete failure to meet fully and explicitly accusations which, as Postmaster General Payne very justly administered him 'charged him with many acts of doubtful propriety,' added to the facts appearing from the reported evidence laid before us, obliges us to say that at least a prima facie case is presented of willful and reckless disregard by the late first assistant postmaster general and thereafter Allen testified he had installed machines and refrained from any comment. The machines proved worthless."

The report says that H. C. Truesell of Binghamton, N. Y., of the cancelling machine company, told inspectors that before the order of June 30, 1902, was given for 100 Doremus cancelling machines, 200 shares (\$20,000 worth) of the stock of the company was transferred to First Assistant Postmaster General Heath, Heath promising to order not less than 300 machines at \$225. In his affidavit Truesell states that Green (a state senator from New York) told him he had made this agreement with Heath at the Waldorf-Astoria hotel one Saturday night and that he thought Truesell and Doremus should "whack up" with him.

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Heath and Beavers Responsible.

The report takes up in detail the charges of improper appointments of subordinates and improper disbursements of public funds, as contained in the Tulloch charges, and after an analysis concludes:

"So far as indicated by the papers submitted to us the persons directly responsible for these fraudulent employments were Messrs. Perry S. Heath and George Beavers, neither of whom is now in the public service. It seems clear, however, that this responsibility extends, in some measure, to the late postmaster general, who appears to at least have tolerated the practice after notice of its existence, and to the late and present postmasters at Washington."

The improper disbursement of public funds received considerable space in the report, and in this connection Messrs. Conrad and Bonaparte go somewhat outside of the Tulloch charges and take up a special report under date of May 28, last, by Inspector Crow, which relates how George W. Beavers received \$1,148 "for expenses in assisting special attorneys in the court of claims."

Touching the administration of former Auditor Castle, the report says:

Disregarded Usual Safeguards.

"We might give further illustrations of the auditor's apparent readiness to disregard the usual safeguards against unauthorized expenditures, but this is needless, because the same, in our judgment, regrettable disposition was shown in matters far more serious. We have already seen that he not only passed the accounts for the 'cleaners' or 'charwomen' and of the 'assistants' in passing on overtime claims, the scene and character of whose services the inspectors could not find out from the postmaster or anyone else (as to these it is possible, although hardly probable that he may have been misled), but actually allowed Mr. Beavers the illegal and fraudulent

claim for 'expenses,' which, as Mr. Castle's own memorandum says, 'really constituted salary,' the salary of an office which Beavers did not and could not legally hold and which no one, not even the president, could have promised him so as to bind the United States either legally or morally to keep the promise. We find it impossible to doubt that Mr. Heath, Mr. Vancott and Mr. Beavers himself all knew the payment of this additional compensation was expressly forbidden by law and that it was called 'expenses' to evade this prohibition."

The summary and conclusions of the report are then given, citing the facts stated above and recommending action looking to reform.

REVEALS MANY NEW FACTS.

Full Report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow.

Washington, Dec. 17.—The full report of Fourth Assistant Postmaster General Bristow was made public Wednesday with the exception of the exhibits which are withheld because of pending criminal proceedings.

The report reveals many new facts brought out by the month of investigation and not embodied in the official abstract made public a fortnight ago. These are mostly in the way of important supplementary information regarding the alleged connection of executive officers of the department with fraudulent contracts for supplies, alleged efforts to promote mining stock among postoffice department employees, irregularities in outside post-offices, etc.

The report speaks of profligate expenditure for Bundy time recorders and cites instances like Bay Shore, New York, where they were used and where there were no employees except the postmaster and his assistant.

Continuing it states that Hugh McK. Landon, secretary of a pneumatic cancelling machine company, testified during the investigation that in this city in 1902, when he came for orders Beavers referred him to a clerk named H. Clayton Graff "as the man to do business with," and that in a personal conversation Graff said: "You know none of us are here for our health. The government is not liberal in the matter of its salaries and it costs much to live in Washington."

Allen Talked Too Much.

Edward S. Allen, now a clerk at the Cleveland, O., postoffice, testified that reports he made on the merits of the Hampden cancelling machine were not satisfactory to First Assistant Postmaster General Heath, and said that he was plainly advised that it was Mr. Heath's desire that these machines be installed and the desire of Mr. Beavers "and the general" that he do less talking derogatory to the machine. He says he was forewarned of this by his brother, then chief clerk to the first assistant postmaster general and thereafter Allen testified he had simply installed machines and refrained from any comment. The machines have proved worthless.

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quotes section 2729 of the revised statutes inhibiting contracts with congressmen and says that Beavers nevertheless made contracts with members of congress for the rental of premises. Mr. Bristow says:

"A careful investigation, however, does not show that the government has been defrauded by the payment of excessive rentals to members of congress either directly or indirectly. I recommend, however, that all leases where a member of congress is a party be cancelled and leases executed in conformity with the statutes.

Beavers Wanted Influence.

"There is no evidence to indicate that Beavers' reckless and high-handed proceedings in the matter of leases was the result of any general scheme of corruption or blackmail on his part. His purpose seems to have been to place members of congress and influential politicians under personal obligations to him."

All the postmasters who gave testimony regarding the Elliott and Hatch bookbepewriters, for implication in the sale of which W. Scott Towers, a postal superintendent here, was removed, have been called on for an explanation.

A letter from Auditor Castle of the postoffice department, recommending the machine, is printed with the statement that his letter was used in advertising literature of the company, while the protest of his clerk against the machine quietly slept in the files in the office of the first assistant postmaster general. The machines finally were barred by First Assistant Postmaster General Johnson.

The report says that the case of Assistant District Attorney E. E. Baldwin of New York, charged with knowledge of a fraud against the government and insultingly refusing information to inspectors has been laid before the attorney general and that the case of his father, Judge E. Baldwin, consul at Nuremberg, whom Mr. Bristow says "probably knows as much about the fraud as anybody," is referred to the secretary of state.

BANK ROBBERS CAPTURED.

Iowa Sheriff Corners Them While Searching for Postoffice Burglars.

Sioux City, Ia., Dec. 17.—Robbers blew open the safe of the Citizens' Saving bank at Quimby Wednesday and secured \$3,000 in cash. Burglars blew the door from the safe of the postoffice at Paulina and secured \$235.

While in search of the men who committed the latter robbery, Sheriff Price of O'Brien county captured two of the Quimby bank robbers. When cornered by the sheriff and his deputies the men attempted to save their boddle by throwing it on the ground, but it was recovered to the amount of \$1,420. The money was wrapped in parcels bearing the name of the bank in printed letters. The two other men engaged in the Quimby robbery stole a team of horses and were seen driving through Otoe. Thus far they have not been captured.

Causes Satisfaction in Cuba.

Havana, Dec. 17.—News of the passage by the United States senate of the Cuban reciprocity bill caused universal satisfaction in this city.

AGAINST MINNESOTA OFFICIALS.

Warrants Sworn Out by H. T. Fowler at Superior, Wis.

Milwaukee, Dec. 17.—A sentinel special from Superior, Wis., says:

Homer T. Fowler Wednesday swore to twenty-nine complaints against Minnesota grain inspection officials operating in this city. He says that Minnesota inspection is to be ousted from the city of Superior.

The complaints were filed with Judge Haily of the municipal court and warrants will be served today, unless the Minnesota officials take a hint and keep away from Superior.

The charge against the inspectors and weighmen is that they violated the Wisconsin grain inspection law of 1895. Attached to all but two of the complaints were signatures of the men to certificates showing that they had inspected or weighed wheat and grain in the city. This is claimed to be enough evidence for conviction.

What action will be taken by the Superior board of trade is not known. There will probably be no inspection here at present.

CENTRAL AMERICAN AFFAIRS.

Main Subject Under Discussion in the House.

Washington, Dec. 17.—Central American affairs were discussed in the house Wednesday and also pensions, industrial and agricultural conditions and labor. The session lasted more than four hours, the house being in committee of the whole almost the entire time on the pension appropriation bill, on which no conclusion was reached. Mr. Lind (Dem., Minn.) referring to an editorial published in a home paper, which he said reflected on his relations with Mr. Williams, the minority leader, stated that he desired to say that his relations with Mr. Williams were of the most cordial character.

WARSHIP FOR KOREAN WATERS.

Minister Allen Reports Uneasiness and Rioting in Korea.

Washington, Dec. 17.—At the request of Minister Allen at Seoul, who reports considerable uneasiness and rioting in Korea, the state department has suggested to the navy department that a warship be sent to Korean waters. It is probable the Wilmington will be detailed for this purpose.

THREE CHILDREN CREMATED.

Parents Had Left Them Alone in the House.

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Old papers for sale at this office.

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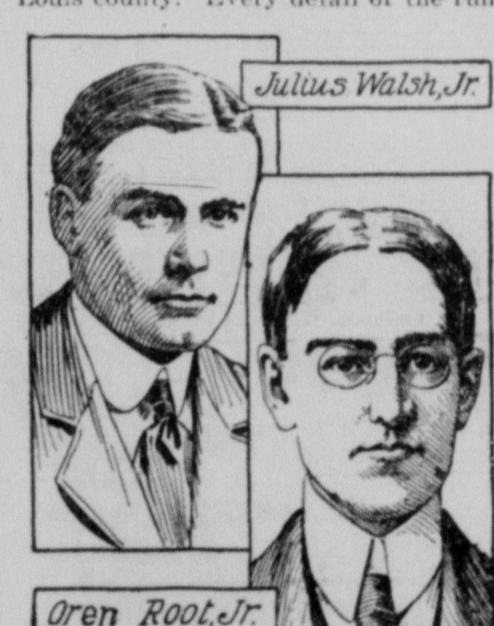
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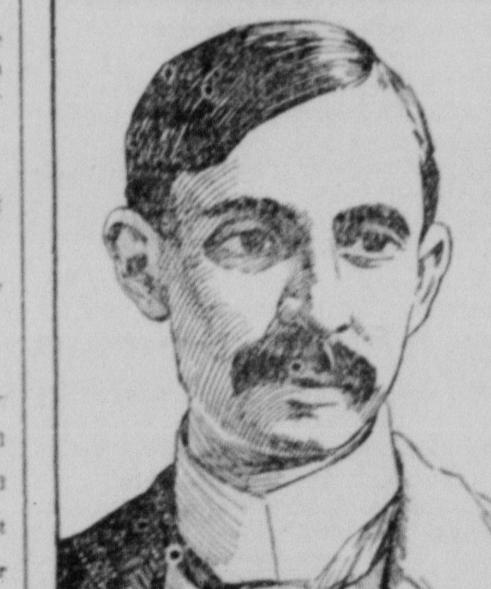
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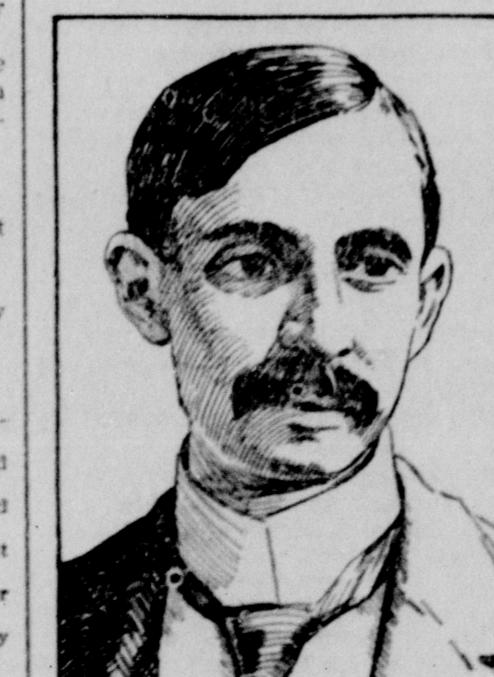
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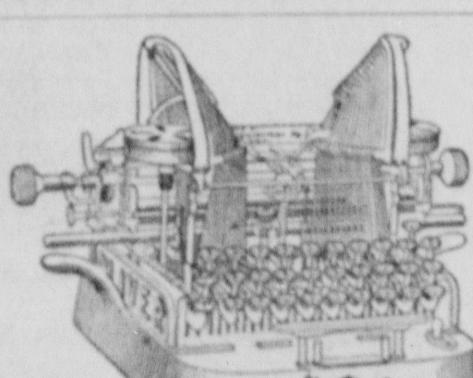
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Now It's Hockey.

There is always something doing
in the way of lively games;
When one pastime ends, another
Wide attention promptly claims.
Baseball long since met its finish.
And the football season's gone.
But again there's a sport exciting.
For the hockey season's on.

There's no sprouting round the bases
As upon the diamond seen.
For instead of that the players
Rush on skates with edges keen.
There's no ball for which there's
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Every time it is struck,
But there's just as lively chasing
In the pathway of the puck.

There's no slugging as in football
When the players fiercely strive.
Nor the tackling causing wonder.
How the victims can survive.
But there's often angry scrapping.
When the hockey players mix.
And at times their heads and faces
Show the bruises made with sticks.

And as 'twas in days of baseball.
And when football had its run.
There are hockey rivals striving
For the honors to be won.
They have organized their sevens.
For the battles of the teams,
And of championship laurels.
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There are crowds of howling roosters.
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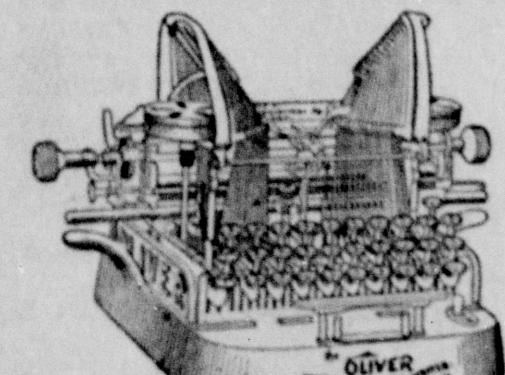
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"What's the matter, Tommy?" asked the master.

"Please, sir, you said that it was the early bird that got the worm."

"Yes."

"Well, father thrashed me."

"What for, my boy?"

"Cos, sir, I let our canary out early this morning, and it's never come back with the worm."

He Was Warned.

"They say," said Mrs. Oldcastle, "that Mr. Fiddelthwaite, who used to belong to our church, has become an agnostic."

"Is that so? Josiah used to take his lunch at the same place he did downtown, and he says he often warned that he'd get it if he didn't give up eatin' so fast!"—Chicago Record-Herald.

In the Way.

"In our house we follow William Morris' teaching," she said. "We have nothing that is of no use."

"But that always makes a house look so bare."

"I know it. But, then, we have four children."—Syracuse Journal.

Another One.

"You say some very sharp things," he remarked.

"You give me some splendid opportuni-

ties," she replied.—Chicago Post.

PATENT LEATHER.

The Process by Which It Takes on
the Enamel Finish.

All manufacturers of patent leather have their own tanning processes, much like those of the calfskin tanner, though some patent leather is given a bark tanning. Horsehide and colt skins are the chief leathers made with a patent finish.

The patent or enamel finish is really painted and baked on, as the bicycle manufacturer paints and bakes enamel on to a frame. Tanners are very particular about keeping their processes secret, and nobody but workmen are ever allowed in the finishing rooms.

The hide or skin, having been stretched and dried as much as possible, is first given a coating of a mixture of linseed oil, litharge, white lead or similar materials, boiled together until they make a pasty mixture.

This is daubed on the surface with a steel tool and well rubbed in, so that the pores of the leather will be filled up. Then the leather is put into the oven, its surface being exposed to steam pipes at a temperature of about 160 degrees.

Next the surface is rubbed down with pumice stone, and then it is covered with linseed oil and ivory black, about six layers being applied, each layer being dried and rubbed down. Finally a varnish is applied, and then the surface is rubbed down and finished off as nicely as a painter finishes a fine carriage.

Dutch Patchwork.

Holland is certainly the land of artistic patches. Take, for instance, our very worthy captain, a thrifty man and prosperous, with a neat sum tucked away. Yet see his shirt, patched and repatched and patched again in varying shades of brown and red until it has been completely metamorphosed! As to the original color, no man knoweth, but here is a wonderful mosaic of soft tones, put together with infinite skill and patience. It is, moreover, still in a state of evolution, for the process may go on indefinitely. I take it that the purchase of a new shirt is a solemn rite and not to be entered upon with indecent haste or thoughtlessness. Here is a prospective heirloom, and one's children's children may gaze with pride upon it. And yet Barney O'Toole, whose specialty is mortal and who possesses nothing save a numerous progeny and a very doubtful insurance policy, would die in terror at the thought of wearing it.—Edward Penfield in Scribner's.

One More Brute.

Mrs. Nubbins—My husband is a perfect brute.

Friend—You amaze me.

Mrs. Nubbins—Since the baby began teething nothing would quiet the little angel but pulling his papa's beard, and yesterday he went and had his beard shaved off.—New York Weekly.

Queer Salutations.

The Abyssinians drop on their knees and kiss the earth when they meet. In saluting a woman the Mandinkas take her hand, put it to their nose and smell it twice. The Egyptians stretch out one hand, then lay it on their breast and bow the head. Among the less civilized tribes of the old world, say the Kalnauks and in Polynesia, the custom of rubbing noses is pretty general. Perhaps the most extraordinary form of salutation is to be found in Tibet, where the natives put out their tongues, gnash their teeth and scratch their ears.

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